
IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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A method and apparatus for monitoring operation of a thermal device. The method includes: storing a sequence detected data on operating states and detected time thereof; storing detected data and detected time in the event of a failure as point-of-failure data; storing operating state data for a specified period of time; and outputting the same. The apparatus is equipped with detection means for detecting operating states. The processing means stores in sequence detected data and detected time from the detection means in the storage means, stores detected data and time in the event of a failure in the storage means, stores operating state data for a specified period of time, and outputs stored data to the output means.
